



# Basilica of Saint Louis, King of France

## THE OLD CATHEDRAL

FIRST CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER



FOUNDED IN 1770

PRESENT CHURCH DEDICATED IN 1834

TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

### PASTORIAL STAFF

#### Archbishop of St. Louis

The Most Reverend  
Mitchell T. Rozanski

#### Rector

Father Nicholas Smith

#### In Residence

Father Charles Samson

#### Deacon

Deacon Luke Koebbe

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Sunday Masses

5:30 PM (Sunday Vigil)  
8:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM,  
and 5:00 PM

#### Daily Masses

##### Monday through Friday

7:00 AM and 12:10 PM

##### Saturday - 7:00 AM

#### Live Stream Mass

7:00 AM Weekdays & 10:30 AM Sunday

Access live streams at [oldcathedralstl.org](http://oldcathedralstl.org)

#### Devotions

Perpetual Help Devotions:  
Tuesdays - 12:00 PM

### SACRAMENTS

#### Confessions

Monday through Friday,  
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM  
Saturday, 4:30 PM - 5:15 PM

#### Marriage

Please arrange at least six months in  
advance of the desired date.  
To reserve a date, or for more  
information, please contact  
Tracy Marklein at 314-308-0091  
[tracymarklein@archstl.org](mailto:tracymarklein@archstl.org)

#### Baptisms

Sundays, following the 12:00 PM Mass  
Please call 314-231-3250 to arrange

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, September 25**

8:00 AM Edward Schnieders

10:30 AM Parish Family  
(Live Streamed)

12:00 PM Lee Steczynski

5:00 PM Celebrant's Intention

**Monday, September 26**

7:00 AM Kathleen Russell

12:10 PM Maxine Titre

**Tuesday, September 27**

7:00 AM Margaret Lyons

12:10 PM Celebrant's Intention

**Wednesday, September 28**

7:00 AM Matthew Driskill

12:10 PM Pauline Luepke

**Thursday, September 29**

7:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. Adalin

12:10 PM Deborah Rhoades

**Friday, September 30**

7:00 AM Celebrant's Intention

12:10 PM Ronald Baudy

**Saturday, October 1**

7:00 AM Celebrant's Intention

5:30 PM Joan Koederitz

**Sunday, October 2**

8:00 AM Parish Family

10:30 AM Jim Ludwig  
(Live Streamed)

12:00 PM Michael J. Curtin

5:00 PM Celebrant's Intention

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

Monday: Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Ps 88:2-3, 4-5, 6, 7-8/Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Dan 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5/  
Jn 1:47-51

Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130/Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

Sunday: 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

Tuesday: St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

Wednesday: St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz & Companions, Martyrs

Thursday: Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

Friday: St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Saturday: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Sunday: 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



*JOIN US*

**FIRST FRIDAY TO CELEBRATE  
THE SODALITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART**

**Friday, October 7**

**11:30am - Noon**

**Adoration & Benediction**

**12:10pm Communion Service**



## OLD CATHEDRAL WEEKLY GIVING

The Old Cathedral has long been recognized as one of the most historic and beautiful churches of its time. Our parish is proud of its more than 240 year history as a self-supporting Roman Catholic Parish.

Your presence, prayer, and generous kindness continue to make it so.

Your weekly donations can be made by mail or in person, or online at:

[oldcathedralstl.org/give](http://oldcathedralstl.org/give)

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

### **Weekly Collection Thru 9/18/2022**

<b>Online Donations</b>	<b>\$ 600.00</b>
<b>Collection</b>	<b>\$ 3,969.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,569.00</b>

### Communion Service Only

**Tuesday, October 4 thru**

**Friday, October 7**

**7am & 12:10pm**

*7am & 12:10pm Mass &*

*11:30am Confessions Cancelled*

**All Archdiocese Priests**

**Attending Convocation**



## OLD CATHEDRAL FIRST SUNDAY TOURS

We are pleased to offer Old Cathedral tours on the first Sunday of the month following the noon Mass

**Tour: October 2**

For group tours of 10 or more email  
[oldcathedral@att.net](mailto:oldcathedral@att.net)



## FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Old Cathedral Parishioners and Visitors:

In today's Gospel, Jesus uses a parable to teach us about the many opportunities that come before us to show love to others. As with all parables, it operates on two levels – the story and the teaching.

In the story, we see how the rich man living a life of comfort and ease is oblivious to the struggles of Lazarus at his doorway. How often did he step over him or look away? He would have known the teachings of the prophets, how could he have knowledge of the words of Amos that we heard today and not been moved to help? How could he have given worship to God and yet been blind to Lazarus' pain? It could only be that he had chosen not to see Lazarus.

One of the great themes of Luke's Gospel is reversal – God puts down the arrogant and raises the lowly, he feeds the hungry and sends the rich away empty, he warns the rich that they have received their consolation and those who have the respect of others that it is fleeting and will fade (Cf., Luke 1:46-55).

Here that reversal is evident: The once poor and destitute Lazarus is now at the side of Abraham while the once wealthy and influential rich man lies in torment.

Here in this sobering parable Jesus calls us to a new way of living – one that highlights mutual responsibility. The kingdom is both something to be striven for and something to be built here and now in our actions and choices. If we listen closely to the Gospel, we will become more alert and open to the needs of others, especially those around us. Yes, we know that it may cost us, and perhaps even dearly at times, but the rewards will be out of this world.

We will be judged by love. The Pharisees who heard this message were noted for their adherence to the law, but they were often devoid of love and compassion and closed to the needs of others. The Christian message is one of joy and hope, which by definition means not being closed to the needs of others: "The joys and the hopes, the griefs and the anxieties of the men of this age, especially those who are poor or in any way afflicted, these are the joys and hopes, the griefs and anxieties of the followers of Christ" (*Gaudium et spes*, §1).

If we seek to live in the love of God, then we must be willing to share that love with others. If we wish to experience the love of God, let us begin by becoming a people of love and showing that love through our word, our choices, and our actions.

Blessings on your week. Stay safe!

-Father Smith

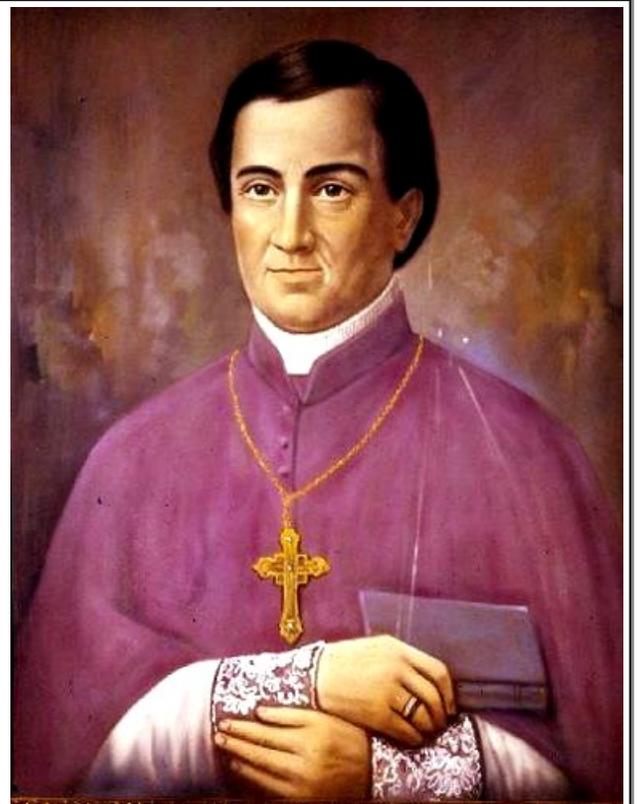
## OLD CATHEDRAL HISTORY

**September 25th marks the 179th anniversary of the death of Bishop Joseph Peter Rosati who died in 1843, just nine years after the completion of the Old Cathedral.**

When St. Louis became a separate diocese in 1826, Rosati became its first bishop and the driving force behind the building of the Old Cathedral to replace the deteriorating brick church.

Bishop Rosati's influence extended throughout the community as he oversaw the creation of what would become DePaul Hospital and St. Louis University, and was instrumental the missionary work of St. Rose Philippine Duchesne.

Rosati died in Europe and was laid to rest in Rome. He remained there until 1954, when Archbishop Ritter petitioned for his remains to be buried in the New Cathedral. Bishop Rosati reached his final resting place in 1971, when his remains were buried beneath the main altar of the Old Cathedral in a rubber-coated coffin encased in brick with a modest plaque above it.



## ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

*Diversity that is rooted in the Body of Christ contributes to growth*

*The examples of saints this week challenge us to ask questions in more fruitful ways*

**Archbishop  
Mitchell T. Rozanski**



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

What a lineup of saints we have this week!

We celebrate the feast of St. Vincent De Paul on September 27 — one of the great patron saints of charitable works. (He's also one of the patron saints of the archdiocese: the chapel at the Curia is named in his honor, the seminary was run and staffed for over 170 years by Vincentians!)

We celebrate the feast of St. Wenceslaus on September 28 — known as a great Christian ruler.

We celebrate the feast of St. Jerome on September 30 — one of the Church's great Scripture scholars.

We celebrate the feast of St. Therese of Lisieux on October 1 — one of the great patron saints of prayer.

Charity (St. Vincent), implementation of Christian faith in policy (St. Wenceslaus), Bible study (St. Jerome), and prayer (St. Therese) — it sounds like the blueprint of a vibrant parish life!

There are three lessons I'd like to consider from the saints we celebrate this week.

First, in relation to diversity.

The world presents diversity as an absolute value: "all diversity is good." The Church, however, thinks of diversity in relation to the Body of Christ. There's a diversity that is rooted in the Body of Christ, and contributes to the growth of the Body of Christ. That's the diversity we see in this week's saints. But there's also a diversity of sin in the world — a diversity that separates us from the Body of Christ. We have only to watch the news to see this kind of diversity! The saints this week challenge us to think of diversity in a deeper way.

Second, in relation to suffering.

We're reading from the book of Job all week, and Job represents all the suffering of humanity. What does it take to address that suffering? Charity. Policies that reflect Christian values. A deeper relationship with the Bible. Prayer. Precisely the things we see in this week's saints! This week's saints provide a template for responding to the needs of the world, especially the suffering of the world.

Finally, in relation to All Things New.

As we begin to consider changes in our parishes and schools, we can ask ourselves this question: can we foster that kind of diversity for the sake of mission, the kind of diversity we see in the saints? If we ask that question — rather than simply "can we keep this building open?" — then we'll be asking a more fruitful question to guide our change.

# register for a LISTENING SESSION

[allthingsnew.archstl.org](http://allthingsnew.archstl.org)

Thanks to all of you who have participated in the All Things New surveys and provided data and feedback over the past few months. The information has been enlightening, educational and fruitful as we continue to ask ourselves what our parishes, ministries and institutions need to look like in order to effectively share our Catholic faith in a way that is suitable and sustainable for our children and generations to come.

The next step in process is to hear more robustly from you, our parishioners, about our Old Cathedral parish. Our Old Cathedral Listening Sessions will be **Thursday, November 3 from 6pm to 8pm at the Regali Center-AB May Room. You are invited to register at [allthingsnew.archstl.org](http://allthingsnew.archstl.org)**

*Parishioners must register in order to attend a Listening Session. Registration will close once the seating capacity is reached. There will not be additional opportunities for Listening Sessions other than the ones scheduled for each parish.*

Each listening session will be facilitated by volunteer parishioners from a different parish. These trained facilitators will share pre-recorded messages from Archbishop Rozanski and Fr. Chris Martin, Vicar for Strategic Planning, with an overview of All Things New, a planning area overview and multiple DRAFT model options to consider for our planning area. A brief time will be allowed for small group discussion and facilitated large group feedback.

The goals of the listening sessions are to engage as many as possible in understanding the current state of our parish and diocese and to solicit feedback from as many as possible about the DRAFT models options for their planning area.

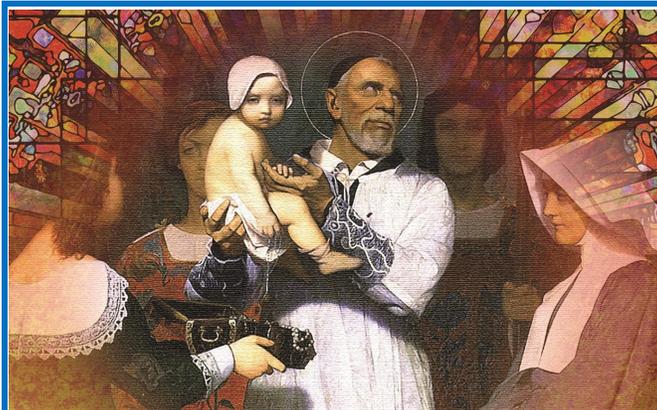
After the final listening session in each planning area, the Archdiocese of St. Louis will make public the content presented at all the parish's Listening Sessions in that planning area and will offer an additional opportunity for parishioners to provide open-ended feedback through an online survey. The survey will remain open until December 31, 2022. Parishioner feedback to the models is critical, as it will be used to help shape the future of the Archdiocese of St. Louis.



**ALL THINGS NEW**

In order for you to be fully prepared with accurate information before our parish listening sessions, you will receive access to our Parish Workbook. The Archdiocese of St. Louis has created Parish Workbooks as a supplementary resource to help us prepare for the listening sessions. The workbooks are meant to equip us with data about the Archdiocese of St. Louis, our local planning area, and our specific parish. **Our Parish Workbook is posted on [allthingsnew.archstl.org](http://allthingsnew.archstl.org) for anyone to view.**

Please continue to pray for the gift of true discernment so that we may continue to do the Will of God in all things.



## SAINT OF THE WEEK

### St. Vincent de Paul | September 27

St. Vincent de Paul is much more than a patron saint of thrift shops! Young Vincent became a priest hoping to advance and rise above his modest upbringing. His early ambition amounted to little when he was assigned to a poor rural parish. Here he experienced a new joy in his vocation. In 1625, Vincent founded the Congregation of the Mission for the purpose of caring for the poor. Originally priests only, the mission expanded to include groups of laity who provided for spiritual and material needs of the poor in each parish. Nearly 400 hundred years later, his legacy lives on!

**The Old Cathedral Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is the first and oldest continuously operating chapter in the United States, founded in 1845.** The Old Cathedral Conference serves thousands of homeless people of downtown St. Louis. Conference members host a prayer service and distribute food, clothing, and small financial aid on the second, third, and fourth Monday of each month.  
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